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Aging and Disability Commission

AGING AND DISABILITY COMMISSION September 16, 2003

MINUTES

Chairperson Peg Bergethon, in the Blue Room at Eno Memorial Hall, 754 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, Connecticut, called the meeting to order

Ricki Bergquist (staff consultant), Peg Bergethon, Grace Present: Comeau, Kathy Fallon, John Hampton, Gloria Knierim, Ed LaMontagne, Charlotte Steptoe, Eileen Umpleby, Moira

Wertheimer and Lynn Veith.

Not Present: Maryann Alimi, Norris Christensen, John Romano (Bd. Of Selectmen liaison), and Gwenne Simpson (excused).

Public Audience: None

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Upon a motion made by Lynn Veith and seconded by Gloria Knierim, the minutes of the June 17, 2003 meeting

Reports - Subcommittees/Projects

Disability Subcommittee: None.

Legislative Subcommittee:

Federal: Moira reported that U.S. Congress Conference Committee on Medicare is currently meeting in an attempt to present a Medicare overhaul bill to the President by Thanksgiving.

State: Lynn reported on several measures that were passed during this last legislative session. These measures include mandating sprinkler systems for nursing homes, suspending wait list rules for the residents coming from a closing facility, placing limits on

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ConnPace, putting medical physical therapy caps in place, and a measure providing assistance for facilities to recover money in the case of improperly transferred assets for Medicaid coverage.

Housing Issues: None.

Souper Tuesday Luncheons: Motion made and carried to hold Souper Tuesday luncheons four times a year.

Ways and Means: Peg will send out fundraising letters for Souper Tuesday program, due to Norris' resignation.

Senior Center: Ricki reported that there is a new program being run entitled Adult Active Lifestyle Program that gives Senior Center members a pedometer so they can monitor their activity. The Eno aircondition project will begin soon. This will temporarily displace some Senior Center programs. Ricki reported that she is formulating a contest to rename the Senior Center.

Old Business:

Music for All Ages: Eileen will meet with Simsbury High Music Director regarding next year's performance.

Picnic in the Park: Will be held September 28, 2003 at 11:30, at the Apple Barn. Sign-up sheet passed around for those bringing food to the picnic.

Fashion Show: To be held October 28, 2003.

Other: None.

New Business:

2004-2005 Commission Calendar: The following Aging and Disability Commission dates were set: 1/20; 2/17; 3/16; 4/20; 5/18; 6/15; 9/21; 10/19; 11/16, and 1/18.

Correspondence: Norris Christensen resigned. Rose McGuirken-Fuhr sent a thank you note to the Commission for bestowing the 1st Ability Awareness Award on her. Peg received her reappointment letter.

October Meeting: October's meeting will be held at McLean.

Other: Mickey Lecours-Beck will be invited to attend the October meeting to discuss the Dial-a-Ride program.

Adjournment: The next meeting is on September 16th, 2003. Lynn Veith made a motion to adjourn and Ed LaMontagne seconded. The meeting adjourned at 8:00p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Moira Wertheimer

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